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Title: SELECTION PROCEDURE USING PRODRUG/ENZYME SYSTEM

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Dear Sir:

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination of the above-identified patent application, Applicant respectfully requests that the application be amended as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 12, replace the paragraph spanning lines 11 - 14 with the following replacement paragraph:

Suitable media in which to carry out the method of the present invention will be clear to those of skill in the art. For example, for *E. coli*, Luria-Bertani (LB) broth is suitable. In addition to prodrug, the media may contain other necessary additives, for example, antibiotic or an inducer, for example, IPTG.

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